

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Previously amended) A water dispersible agrochemical composition comprising a primary agrochemical active ingredient at a level of less than 50% by weight of the composition and a dispersing agent the composition being obtainable by a process comprising preparing a wetted mix in the form of a free-flowing powder comprising the primary active ingredient and the dispersing agent and optionally other components wherein at least one of the dispersing agent and optional other component is liquid and extruding the mix to form granules.
2. (Previously amended) A composition according to claim 1 in which the primary active ingredient is a low use rate active ingredient.
3. (Previously amended) A composition according to Claim 1 in which the primary active ingredient is selected from bensulfuron-methyl, chlorsulfuron, cinosulfuron, metsulfuron-methyl, nicosulfuron, pirimisulfuron-methyl, rimsulfuron, sulfometuron-methyl, thifensulfuron-methyl, and triflusaluron-methyl.
4. (Previously amended) A composition according to Claim 1 in which the primary active ingredient is present at a level of less than 30% by weight of the composition.
5. (Previously amended) A composition according to Claim 1 in which the primary active ingredient comprises bensulfuron-methyl and/or chlorsulfuron.

6. (Original) A composition according to claim 5 comprising bensulfuron-methyl at a level of less than 10% by weight of the composition.

7. (Previously amended) A composition according to Claim 1 further comprising a high use rate secondary active ingredient.

8. (Original) A composition according to claim 7 in which the secondary active ingredient is present at a level greater than the level of the primary active ingredient.

9. (Previously amended) A composition according to Claim 7 in which the secondary active ingredient is present at a level of at least 30%.

10. (Previously amended) A composition according to Claim 7 in which the high use rate secondary active ingredient is selected from abamectin, atrazine, benomyl, bentazone, bifenox, bromoxynil, captan, carbendazim, chloridazon, chlorothalonil, chlortoluron, lambda-cyhalothrin, cyhexatin, cymoxynil, alpha-cypermethrin, deltamethrin, dimethomorph, diuron, ethofumesate, fipronil, flurtamone, glyphosate, imazamethabenz-methyl, imazapyr, imazethapyr, imidacloprid, isoproturon, linuron, mancozeb, maneb, metamidron, methiocarb, metribuzin, milbectin, oxadixyl, oxyfluorfen, phenmedipham, propanil, propyzamide, simazine, thifensulfuron-methyl and thiram.

11. (Original) A composition according to claim 10 in which the secondary active ingredient comprises propanil.

12.(Original) A composition according to claim 11 in which the propanil is present at a level of at least 50% by weight of the composition.

13.(Previously amended) A composition according to Claim 1 in which the dispersing agent comprises an anionic and/or nonionic surfactant.

14.(Original) A composition according to claim 13 in which the dispersing agent is selected from alkali metal salts of lignosulphonates, naphthalene sulphonate formaldehyde condensates, tristyrylphenol ethoxylate phosphate esters, aliphatic alcohol ethoxylates, alkylphenol ethoxylates, ethylene oxide/propylene oxide (EO-PO) block copolymers, "comb" graft copolymers and polyvinyl alcohol-vinyl acetate copolymers.

15.(Previously amended) A composition according to Claim 13 in which the weight ratio of dispersing agent to the low use rate primary active ingredient in the composition is 0.1 to 10:1.

16.(Previously amended) A composition according to claim 13 in which the weight ratio of dispersing agent to the low use rate primary active ingredient in the composition is 0.4 to 6:1.

17.(Previously amended) A composition according to Claim 2 further comprising as the low use rate active ingredient, bensulfuron-methyl and further comprising propanil.

18.(Original) A composition according to claim 17 in which bensulfuron-methyl is present at a level of less than 1% by weight

of the composition and propanil is present at a level of more than 50% by weight of the composition.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Original) A method of treating a plant by applying a herbicidally effective amount of a composition according to any one of claims 1 to 18 to the plant or to the locus of the plant to be treated.

21. (Original) A method according to claim 20 in which the composition is mixed with a liquid carrier and applied to the plant or the locus of the plant.

22. (Previously amended) A method according to Claim 20 in which the primary active is applied to the plant or the locus of the plant at a rate of use of less than 50g/hectare.

23. (Previously amended) A method according to Claim 20 in which the composition comprises, as a secondary active ingredient, propanil and the secondary active is applied to the plant or the locus of the plant at a rate of use of less than 7000g/hectare.

24. (Previously amended) A process for the production of a composition according to Claim 1 comprising preparing a wetted mix in the form of a free-flowing powder comprising a primary active ingredient and a dispersing agent and optionally other components wherein at least one component of the composition is liquid and extruding the mix to form an extrudate and drying the extrudate to form granules.

25. (Original) A process according to claim 24 which comprises preparing a pre-mix comprising a secondary active ingredient and combining the pre-mix with the dispersing agent and the primary active ingredient to form the mix for extrusion.

26. (Previously added) A composition according to Claim 1 wherein the primary agrochemical active comprises a sulfonyl urea.

27. (Previously added) A composition according to Claim 1 wherein the liquid component in the wetted premix comprises water.

28. (Previously added) A composition according to Claim 1 wherein the extrudate is dried to form granules.

29. (Previously added) A water dispersible agrochemical composition comprising a primary agrochemical active ingredient comprising a sulfonyl urea at a level of less than 10% by weight of the composition and a dispersing agent the composition being obtainable by a process comprising preparing a wetted mix in the form of a free-flowing powder comprising the primary active ingredient and the dispersing agent and water, extruding the mix and drying the extrudate to form granules.

30. (Previously added) A composition according to Claim 29 wherein the sulfonyl urea comprises bensulfuron-methyl and/or chlorsulfuron.

31. (Currently amended) A composition according to Claim 29 which further comprises a secondary active ingredient comprising propanil at a level of at least 50% by weight of the composition.

32. (Previously added) A composition according to Claim 29 in which the dispersing agent is selected from alkali metal salts of lignosulphonates, naphthalene sulphonate formaldehyde condensates, tristyrylphenol ethoxylate phosphate esters, aliphatic alcohol ethoxylates, alkylphenol ethoxylates, ethylene oxide/propylene oxide (EO-PO) block copolymers, "comb" graft copolymers and polyvinyl alcohol-vinyl acetate copolymers.